

A Message from the Acting Secretary

Mary Selecky

Welcome to the 1999 legislative session! As I continue in my role of Acting Secretary, I will be assisting legislators in their debates of issues which affect the health and safety of Washington citizens. It is a pleasure to personally hand the newly completed *Public Health Improvement Act Report* to legislators as I make my initial visits to the "hill." This report highlights local public health efforts and is organized by local health department/district, making it an easy reference book for legislators who immediately open it to find data for their county. I have received very positive comments about the document and we will be using it during our committee briefings.

The critical issues this session include: Debate over the distribution of the tobacco settlement; DOH budget requests for issues such as child care certification surveys and home care oversight; water conservation and water reuse issues as part of the Salmon Recovery Package expected from the Governor's office this week; the Governor's package to address the need for temporary worker housing; funding for the DOH Center for Health Statistics; funding for the specialty clinics treating rare conditions such as cycle cell anemia and PKU; testing of drug affected babies; and participation in the Federal program for expansion of health care coverage for children.

Legislative committees have schedule DOH briefings during the first two weeks of session. These include a public health presentation in both the House and Senate. The Senate Health and Long Term Care Committee will have an overview of the public health system as it impacts access to care on Monday, January 18. The House Health Care Committee will have a briefing on public health programs on January 21. The Senate Environmental Quality and Water Resources Committee will spotlight the environmental health and drinking water programs on January 15. An overview of the Department of Health's responsibilities for the regulation of facilities, health care providers, trauma program and rural health issues was before the House Health Care Committee on January 14. I'm excited for these opportunities for DOH to present the variety of public health's responsibilities, and our central mission of protecting and improving the public's health and safety.

Through the 105 days of this legislative session, I expect the budget debate to be a consuming discussion. The debate will include major concern about insurance costs in the individual market. This debate involves critical health issues. I will work to keep these health issues on the table and part of the final policies as they are developed by the legislature.

I look forward to working with you throughout the session.

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1998 Public Health Improvement Plan Now Available

The latest edition of the Department of Health's *Public Health Improvement Plan*, or PHIP, will be presented to the Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee on January 18, and to the House Health Care Committee on January 21. This is the third edition of the plan, which is the result of the legislature's decision in 1993 to strengthen the state's public health system for both the state and local government. The current plan showcases many public health accomplishments, and outlines the challenges to our public health system in the years ahead.

Far more than just a "plan", the PHIP has become a model for accomplishing system-wide changes that lead to improved health for Washington's citizens. All jurisdictions have completed a detailed analysis of local health problems and have begun to involve a broad range of local leaders in achieving public health goals. Using PHIP-related funding, local health jurisdictions are carrying out nearly 200 locally-selected health improvement objectives, ranging from oral health clinics to cleaning up polluted groundwater. At the state level, the Department has created action teams to address emerging issues, such as establishing safe and healthy child care, and curtailing infectious disease. The action teams coordinate their efforts with many other agencies and interest groups.

To order a copy of the PHIP, contact the Department of Health, Office of the Secretary, Post Office Box 47890, Olympia, Washington, 98504-7890, or FAX the Department of Health at (360) 236-4088.

Meeting Schedule

Senate Health and Long Term Care Committee

Senate Hearing 1	Room 4
Monday	1:30 - 3:30
Wednesday	1:30 - 3:30
Thursday	1:30 - 3:30

House Health Care Committee

House Hearing Room C		
Tuesday	1:30 - 3:30	
Thursday	8:00 - 10:00	
Saturday	1:30 - 3:30	

Youth Risk Assessment Database

The Violence Reduction Programs Act, enacted by the Washington State Legislature during the 1994 session, established a community-based strategy for reducing the unacceptably high levels of violent behavior and victimization in our state. The Act recognized that violent behavior among youth, along with the other problem behaviors listed in the Act, often share common risk factors. The Act created Community Public Health and Safety Networks (Networks) to act as local prevention planning vehicles for reduction of

- · youth violence
- adolescent substance abuse
- · adolescent pregnancy
- · adolescent suicide
- · dropping out of high school
- · child abuse and neglect
- · domestic violence
- · out-of-home placement
- associated risk and protective factors.

The Act gives the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) the responsibility to organize existing data on problem behavior rates and risk and protective factors, and to provide those data to local health jurisdictions to share with the Networks for program planning and evaluation. These data are available by visiting the Non-Infectious Conditions Epidemiology home page (http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehsphl/epidemiology/nice) and clicking on the Youth Risk Assessment Database link.

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Proposals for Legislative Session 1999

The following proposals were submitted to the Office of Financial Management (OFM) on September 8 for approval as agency request legislation.

Epidemiology Health Statistics and Public Health Laboratories

- Center for Health Statistics Fee Increase. This bill
 would amend the statute and increase the current fee
 for certified copies of records from \$13 to \$15. The
 fee increase would help fund the operation of the Center for Health Statistics.
- Newborn Screening. This bill, a joint effort with CFH, proposes expansion of the newborn screening fee paid at the birth of a child. This fee would subsidize specialty diagnostic and treatment services for disorders detected by newborn screening.

Community and Family Health

- Revision of Tuberculosis Laws. This bill would amend the tuberculosis statutes by removing outdated, obsolete language and making the statutes conform with current standards for disease reporting.
- Birth Defects Registry. This bill would repeal the current birth defects registry legislation. We anticipate that birth defects will be included as a notifiable condition under Board of Health rules.

Environmental Health Programs

 Public Water System Definition. This bill proposes a minor amendment to the statutory definition of "public water system" to conform with amendments to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. Contaminated Properties. This bill proposes changes to the current law regulating the clean-up of sites contaminated by illegal drug laboratories, include use of non-certified contractors under certain circumstances and changes to reporting duties of local health officers.

Health Systems Quality Assurance

- Secretary's Authority for Administrative Procedures.
 The proposal amends RCW 43.70.280(3) to make permanent the secretary's current authority to establish uniform administrative procedures for all licensed health-care professions. That authority lapses on March 1, 1999.
- Hospital Public Disclosure. The proposal amends the hospital licensing law to remove current prohibition on Department disclosure of information about complaints and investigations for hospitals.
- Licensed Psychologists. This proposal amends the Psychology Act to clarify that psychologists credentialed in Washington state are subject to disciplinary action even if they work in exempt settings, such as colleges, universities or prisons.
- Nurse Delegation. This proposal clarifies and simplifies nurse delegation. It provides flexibility for nurses and care providers to delegate nursing care tasks. The proposal was developed by a broad workgroup.

LEGISLATIVEINTERNETLINKS

Legislative information can be accessed via the internet. The following are a few links that may be of interest:

Legislative Update Newsletter

http://www.doh.wa.gov/publicat/98_legup.htm

Legislative Information

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http://www.leg.wa.gov/www/house/members/housepg.htm

Washington State Senate

http://www.leg.wa.gov/www/senate.htm

Washington State Governor's Home Page

http://www.wa.gov/governor

TVW indicates that TVW tentatively plans to televise either LIVE or on a tape delayed basis. For additional information on TVW scheduling or availability, please call TVW at (360) 586-5555, or visit the TVW web site at: www.tvw.org

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Disease Prevention and Control

HB 1004: Transient Sex Offenders

Requiring transient sex offenders to report regularly to the county sheriff. **House Criminal Justice & Corrections.**

Environmental Health

HB 1054: Pesticide Registration Commission Revises provisions relating to the duties of the Commission on Pesticide Registration. **House Agriculture & Ecology.**

SB 5018: Permit Assistance Center

Directs the center to provide a periodic report to the legislature that: (1) Provides policy and operational recommendations for streamlining and coordinating environmental permitting in Washington; and (2) summarizes the results of the center's efforts to measure center performance and outcomes over time. Repeals RCW 43.131.387 and RCW 43.131.388. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5059: Radioactive Waste Transport

Authorizes counties to assess impact fees to cover the costs associated with the transport of radioactive waste over their roadways. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5067: Uranium and Thorium Mills

Provides that the department shall not approve a license or the renewal of a license for a uranium or thorium mine, mill, or tailing facility, if the license is based on a reclamation, closure, or decommissioning that involves the receipt, storage, permanent impoundment, or disposal of radioactive materials, including uranium or thorium mill tailings and byproduct material, at a licensed site or proposed licensed site as defined by rule of the department, except where the radioactive materials proposed for receipt, storage, permanent impoundment, or disposal, including uranium or thorium mill tailings and byproduct material, is produced at a mine associated with, and under the same operator or ownership as, the licensed site or proposed licensed site. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5072: Uranium/Thorium Mills

Includes delivery of a controlled substance to a pregnant woman as an aggravating circumstance in RCW 9.94A.390 and 13.40.150. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5079: Water Quality

Requires the Department of Ecology to hold a public hearing before issuing certification under the authority of section 401 of the federal Water Pollution Control Act amendments of 1972, 22 U.S.C. Sec. 1341, if requested by a petition with twenty or more signatures. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5080: Biomedical Waste Operations

Provides that each facility in the state that deactivates biomedical waste under a solid waste permit shall develop a hazard analysis and critical control points plan. The scope of the plan shall cover the worker health and safety and health risks to the community surrounding the plant. The plan shall be a systematic approach to the identification, evaluation, and control of safety hazards. Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5081: Biomedical Waste Treatment

Provides that the department of health, in consultation with the department of ecology and local health departments shall evaluate the environmental and public health impacts of biomedical waste treatment technologies. The evaluation shall be consistent with the guidelines established by the state and territorial association on alternative treatment technologies. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5082: Biomedical Waste Inactivation

Declares that, beginning January 1, 2001, cultures and stocks that are infectious to humans generated at microbiological laboratories shall be treated to accomplish microbial inactivation before being transported from the facility. Requires the Department to adopt, by rule, a surcharge on the license fee in this section for medical test sites licensed in microbiology to generate twenty thousand dollars per biennium to administer this act. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

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SB 5087: Impaired Water Bodies

Declares that it is the purpose of this act to require the Department of Ecology to involve local governments and citizens in preparing the total maximum daily load it submits to the federal government for each body of water that fails to meet the water quality standards under the federal clean water act. Provides that the Department must, in preparing the total maximum daily load for each water body that fails to meet the standards under the federal Clean Water Act in 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1313: (1) Consider alternatives such as flow augmentation and instream mechanical aerators; and (2) collaborate with local governments and wastewater treatment plant operators to arrive at appropriate treatment methods to bring the impaired water body into compliance with the water quality standard. Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.

SB 5089: Water Quality Load Analyses

Provides that, before initiating or applying any control measures to implement a total maximum daily load analysis developed under the federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1313(d)(1)(D), the Department shall convene a committee to advise the Department on the implementation program. The advisory committee shall include residents and landowners from the watershed and county in which the total maximum daily load analysis was developed and shall include, but is not limited to, representatives of landowners, tribes, local government, and other members of the public. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5091: Water Rights Regulators

Declares an intent to establish a more effective method of water resource management in the state of Washington. Declares an intent that this more effective method of water resource management result in a reduction of the backlog of water right applications, enhance the ability of the Department of Ecology to process new water right applications, and facilitate the transfer and productive use of water rights on a willing seller and willing buyer basis. Declares that in order to meet this intent, it is necessary to create a system of locally based water rights regulators, focus on water conservation, actively work to ensure proper water allocation procedures are followed, and rely on a market driven water transfer process. Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.

SB 5103: Coastal Zone Program

Declares an intent to direct a review of the state's existing program and the submission of additional state and local government policies to the national oceanic and atmospheric administration for inclusion in such program, and to direct that maximum state efforts be directed toward implementing the state's role in federal consistency determinations to ensure that state and local policies influence federal agency actions affecting the state's coastal zone. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5105: Public Water System Definition

Revises the definition of public water system to include systems providing water through constructed conveyances, in conformance with federal law. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources**.

SB 5106: Drugs/Property Contamination

Finds that the contamination of properties used for illegal drug manufacturing poses a threat to public health. The toxic chemicals left behind by the illegal drug manufacturing must be cleaned up to prevent harm to subsequent occupants of the properties. Declares an intent that properties are decontaminated in a manner that is efficient, prompt, and that makes them safe to reoccupy. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5107: Puget Sound Action Team

Revises the membership of the Puget Sound action team and the interagency advisory council. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5125: Pesticide Registration Commission Revises the duties of the commission on pesticide registration. **Senate Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.**

Families and Children

HB 1058: Juvenile Violence Deterrence

Declares an intent to develop a grant program to fund research-based prevention and early intervention programs targeting youth and their families when the youth has not yet entered the juvenile justice system. Makes an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to carry out the purposes of the act. House Children & Family Services.

SB 5014: Employer Sponsored Childcare

Provides economic incentives for employer-sponsored child care benefits. Takes effect January 1, 2000. **Senate**

Labor & Workforce Development.

SB 5053: Assaults Against Children

Includes parents under the age of eighteen in the crime of assault against a child. **Senate Judiciary.**

SB 5084: Community Public Health/Safety Networks Revises the procedure for determining the administrative costs allowed for the community public health and safety networks. **Senate Human Services & Corrections.**

SB 5131: Day Care Liability Insurance

Provides that every licensed child day-care center and family day-care provider shall, at the time of licensure or renewal and at any inspection, provide to the department proof that the licensee has day-care insurance as defined in RCW 48.88.020 or for day-care centers, is self-insured pursuant to chapter 48.90 RCW. Liability limits under this section shall be the same as set forth in RCW 48.88.050. **Senate Human Services & Corrections.**

SB 5132: Child Care Service Information

Requires every child day-care center and family day-care provider to prominently post the following items, clearly visible to parents and staff: (1) The license issued under this chapter; (2) the notice of any pending enforcement action. The notice must be posted immediately upon receipt. The notice must be posted for at least two weeks or until the violation causing the enforcement action is corrected, whichever is longer; (3) a notice that inspection reports and any notices of enforcement actions for the previous three years are available from the licensee and the department; and (4) any other information required by the department. Requires every child day-care center and family day-care provider to have readily available for review by the department, parents, and the public a copy of each inspection report and notice of enforcement action received by the center or provider from the department for the past three years. Directs the department to place a child day-care center or family day-care provider on nonreferral status or stop placement status if the center or provider has failed or refused to comply with chapter 74.15 RCW or rules adopted under that chapter and an enforcement action has been taken. Directs the department to establish and maintain a toll-free telephone number for communication of information regarding child day-care centers and family day-care providers. The number shall be published in reasonably available printed and electronic media. The number shall be easily identifiable as a number for communication of information as set forth in this act. **Senate Human Services & Corrections.**

SB 5136: Domestic Violence/Unemployment

Authorizes the compensation if the claimant has qualified under RCW 50.20.050(2)(d) and the claimant is temporarily unable to actively search for employment because the claimant is seeking safety or relief for the claimant or the claimant's immediate family members from domestic violence or stalking. **Senate 1**st **Reading.**

Fiscal

HB 1035: Transportation Budget

Provides supplemental funding and appropriations for transportation. **House Transportation.**

SB 5055: Electric/Hybrid Vehicles Tax

Exempts electric and hybrid vehicles from the motor vehicle excise tax. **Senate Transportation.**

Injury Prevention

HB 1014: Personal Flotation Devices

Provides that no person shall operate a vessel on the waters of this state with a child twelve years old and under, unless the child is wearing a United States Coast Guard approved personal flotation device, of the appropriate size, while the vessel is underway. **House Natural Resources.**

SB 5017: Firearms Access by Minors

Declares that, except as provided in this act, a person shall not store or keep a loaded firearm on premises under his or her control if he or she knows or reasonably should know that a minor is likely to gain access to the firearm without: (1) The lawful permission of the minor's parent or the person having charge of the minor; or (2) the supervision required by law. Provides that it is a misdemeanor if a person violates this act and, as a result thereof, a minor gains access to a firearm and possesses or exhibits it, without the supervision required by law: (1) In a public place; or (2) in a reckless or criminally negligent manner. Provides that it is a class C felony if a person violates this act and, as a result thereof, a minor gains

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access to a firearm and uses it to inflict injury or death upon himself or herself, or any other person. Provides that, as used in this act, "minor" means a person under the age of sixteen. **Senate Judiciary**.

SB 5065: Driving Privilege Revocation

Designates procedures for revoking driving privileges for alcohol violations until the person is age twenty-one. **Senate Judiciary**.

SB 5094: Personal Flotation Devices

Declares that no person shall operate a vessel under 19 feet in length on the waters of this state with a child 12 years old and under, unless the child is wearing a United States Coast Guard approved personal floatation device, of the appropriate size, while the vessel is underway. **Senate Natural Resources. Parks & Recreation.**

Insurance

HB 1049: Medicare Insurance Policies Revises RCW 48.66.045 relating to mandating coverage for replacement Medicare insurance policies. **House Health Care.**

SB 5111: Genetic Information/Health Insurance Declares that a health carrier may not deny or cancel health plan coverage, or vary the premiums, terms, or conditions for health plan coverage, for an individual or a family member of an individual: (1) On the basis of genetic information; or (2) because the individual or family member of an individual has requested or received genetic services. Senate Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5112: Mastectomies/Health Insurance

Requires every health carrier and every state purchased health care plan that provides coverage for mastectomies to permit the attending provider, in consultation with the patient, to make decisions on the length of inpatient stay, rather than making such decisions through contracts or agreements between providers, hospitals, and insurers. These decisions must be based on accepted medical practice. **Senate Health & Long Term Care.**

Professional/Facilities Licensing

HB 1000: Counselors/Privileged Communication Provides that communications between certified counselors and their clients are privileged. **House Judiciary.**

SB 5006: Animal Pregnancy Testing

Exempts animal pregnancy testing from veterinary licensing requirements. **Senate Agriculture & Rural Development.**

SB 5019: Opiate Substitute Treatment

Directs the governor and the Department of Social and Health Services to seek all necessary exemptions and waivers from and amendments to federal statutes, rules, and regulations to secure the federal changes to permit physicians to dispense opiate substitutes at their usual place of business in accordance with RCW 70.96A.410 at the earliest possible date. Expires June 30, 2004. **Senate Human Services & Corrections.**

SB 5050: Describing the Treatment of Intractable Pain with Controlled Substances.

Declares that health professionals licensed in this state to prescribe controlled substances may treat intractable pain with controlled substances included in Schedules II through V as identified in title 69 RCW. Does not authorize treatment of conditions other than intractable pain with controlled substances included in Schedules II through V. Provides that the licensing entity for health professionals licensed in this state to prescribe controlled substances shall not take action against the health professional's license, if the health professional follows the accepted standard of care for treatment of intractable pain with controlled substances and the licensed health professional obtains informed consent. Declares that prescription of controlled substances included in Schedules II through V for intractable pain by a health professional licensed in this state to prescribe controlled substances is not a criminal offense. Senate Health & Long Term Care.

SB 5070: Controlled Substance Delivery

Includes delivery of a controlled substance to a pregnant woman as an aggravating circumstance in RCW 9.94A.390 and 13.40.150. **Senate Judiciary.**

SB 5083: Biomedical Waste Disposal

Requires a study of treatment and disposal methods of biomedical waste. Makes an appropriation of \$100,000 to carry out the purposes of the act. **Senate Environmental Quality & Water Resources.**

SB 5102: Fire Fighter Training

Establishes procedures to increase the level of training for fire fighters. Makes appropriations to carry out the purposes of the act. **Senate Transportation.**

SB 5114: Hospital Annual Inspections

Provides an exemption from annual inspections for hospitals accredited by the American osteopathic association. **Senate Health & Long Term Care.**

SB 5138 Body Art Facilities

Directs the state board of health to adopt rules for the purpose of permitting local health jurisdictions to regulate body art operators and body art facilities. These rules shall establish requirements regarding: (1) Minimum standards for facility cleanliness and education of body artists; (2) incorporation of national standards as developed by nationally recognized organizations with extensive expertise in body art; (3) knowledge and practice by operators of universal precautions, and requirements for sanitation, personal hygiene, sterilization, and aftercare requirements to prevent transmission of disease; (4) appropriate exemptions for physicians and other medical personnel performing within their legal scope of practice; and (5) requirements for disclosure of the health risks, aftercare requirements, and contacts at the local health department to whom complaints or inquiries may be addressed to customers or potential customers of body art. Senate Health & Long Term Care.

Regulatory Reform

HB 1001: Ethics in Public Service

Changing ethics in public service provisions. **House State Government.**

HB 1010: Rural Distressed Areas

Provides: (1) A strategically designed plan of assistance, emphasizing state, local, and private sector leadership and partnership; (2) a comprehensive and significant array of business assistance, services, and tax incentives that are accountable and performance driven; (3) an array of community assistance including infrastructure

development and business retention, attraction, and expansion programs that will provide a competitive advantage to rural distressed areas throughout Washington; and (4) regulatory relief to reduce and streamline zoning, permitting, and regulatory requirements in order to enhance the capability of businesses to grow and prosper in rural distressed areas. Creates the state Office of Business Assistance and recruitment for rural distressed areas. House Economic Development, Housing & Trade.

HB 1040: Assisting rural distressed areas

Declares the goals of this act are to: (1) Promote and retain the operation of businesses in rural distressed areas; (2) promote the expansion of existing businesses in rural distressed areas; (3) attract new businesses to rural distressed areas; (4) assist in the development of new businesses from within rural distressed areas; (5) provide family wage jobs to the citizens of rural distressed areas; and (6) promote the development of communities of excellence in rural distressed areas. Establishes within the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development the Office of Business Assistance, and recruitment for rural distressed areas. Requires the joint legislative Audit and Review Committee to design an evaluation mechanism for economically distressed counties under this act and undertake an evaluation of this act's effectiveness by November 1, 2003. The agencies implementing the programs under this act shall assist the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee evaluation. House Economic Development.

SB 5090: Rural County Land Use

Authorizes a rural county to conduct a collaborative procedure for land use and environmental review and permitting of rural economic development projects. Provides that a rural county may: (1) Adopt one economic development project per year as a community economic revitalization project or industrial project of state-wide significance; (2) request funding in addition to other project funding for coordination and facilitation; (3) appoint or retain a project coordinator and a local permit facilitator; (4) use the collaborative procedure with the project applicant and the relevant state permitting agencies, as an alternative to the consolidated permit review process in this chapter; and (5) invite federal agencies and tribes to participate in the collaborative procedure. Repeals RCW 43.131.387 and 43.131.388.

Senate Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

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SB 5095: Open Public Meetings

Clarifies that public corporations, commissions, and authorities are public agencies for purposes of the open public meetings act. **Senate State & Local Government.**

Welfare Reform

SB 5063: TANF Recipients/Education

Pertains to adult recipients of temporary assistance for needy families enrolled in education programs. Declares an intent of the legislature that the Department of Social and Health Services, the Employment Security Department, and community and technical colleges work together more effectively to facilitate the successful completion of higher educational course work by recipients. Wherever the circumstances and educational progress of a recipient would reasonably lead to timely course completion and employment, the legislature intends that the recipient's grant be maintained without sanction. **Senate Labor & Workforce Development.**

SB 5069: Child Care Access

Provides child care payments to persons complying with P.L. 104-193 and the Washington WorkFirst program. **Senate Labor & Workforce Development.**

Senate Committee Assignments

Agriculture and Rural Economic Development (7)

D (4): Rasmussen, Chair, T. Sheldon, Vice Chair, Gardner, Prentice

R (3): Honeyford, Morton, *Stevens

Environmental Quality and Water Resources (7)

D (4): Fraser, Chair, Eide, Vice Chair, Jacobsen, McAuliffe

R (3): *Hochstatter, Roach, Rossi

Health and Long Term Care (7)

D (4): Thibaudeau, Chair, Wojahn, Vice Chair, Costa, Franklin

R (3): *Deccio, Johnson, Winsley

Human Services and Corrections (9)

D (5): Hargrove, Chair, Costa, Vice Chair, Franklin, Kohl, Patterson

R (4): *Long, McCaslin, Stevens, Zarelli

Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation (9)

D (5): Jacobsen, Chair, T. Sheldon, Vice Chair, Hargrove, Snyder, Spanel

R (4): Morton, *Oke, Rossi, Stevens

Ways and Means (21)

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R (8): Honeyford, Long, McDonald, Roach, Rossi, *West, Winsley, Zarelli

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House Committee Assignments

Agriculture and Ecology (14)

D (7): Kelli-Linville, Co-chair Mike Cooper, Vice-chair Dave Anderson, Bill Grant, Aaron Reardon, Michael Stensen. Alex Wood

R (7): Gary Chandler, Co-chair, John Koster, Vice Chair, Bruce Chandler, Jerome Delvin, Phil Fortunato, Mark Schoesler, Bob Sump

Appropriations (32)

D (16): Helen Sommers, Co-chair, Mark Doumit, Vice Chair, Eileen Cody, Jeff Gombosky, Bill Grant, Ruth Kagi, Karen Keiser, Phyllis Kenney, Lynn Kessler, Kelli Linville, Jim McIntire, Debbie Regala, Phil Rockefeller, Laura Ruderman, Brian Sullivan, KipTokuda

R (16): Tom Huff, Co-chair, Gary Alexander, Vice Chair, Dave Schmidt, Vide Chair, Kelly Barlean, Brad Benson, Marc Boldt, Don Carlson, Larry Crouse, Kathy Lambert, Barb Lisk, Dave Mastin, Cathy McMorris, Joyce Mulliken, Linda Evans Parlette, Mike Wensman, Jim Clements

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Health Care (12)

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R (6): Linda Evans Parlette, Co-chair, Cheryl Pflug, Vice Chair, Gary Alexander, Marc Boldt, Tom Campbell, Luke Esser

Natural Resources (12)

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